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WEATHER For Kentucky
Saturday, Probably fair

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

It is rough on the French to be put on the water-wagon ten days before Christmas.

The Republicans probably see the grim humor of having Senator Salisbury as President Pro Tem.

Eight hundred newspapers have suspended publication since the paper sharks added \$85 a ton to last spring's price of print paper.

The greatest objection we see to the proposed tax revision measures is that they create another lot of offices, without abolishing any of the old ones.

Owing to the steady advance in the price of horse meat in Berlin, a maximum price of 39 cents a pound for the best cuts, liver and sausage has been fixed by the authorities.

Washington is full of Governors, great and small, this week and President Wilson, who was once a Governor himself, is down for a speech to the conference.

The reception to Mr. Martin Monday night, at 10:30 p. m., will be the most notable affair of the kind in the city's history. Fifteen organizations, business, fraternal, social and patriotic will take part. Two ladies from each of the ladies' clubs will be in the receiving party and will be assisted by many of the young ladies of the city. The public is invited and a special invitation is extended to out-of-town visitors.

HON. E. E. WASH.

The death of Hon. E. E. Wash at Cadiz Wednesday was shocking in its suddenness. He had been out in his back yard to give directions about his pork and a little later his wife found him lying on his face at the back door where he had fallen unobserved. He lived only 20 minutes after being taken into the house. He was 73 last April. He was a man of wealth and prominence, a member of the Baptist church and was formerly a member of the General Assembly.

DAVIESS ROAD CONTRACTS.

The Montgomery & Perkins Co., has been awarded the contracts for three roads in Daviess county, the total bid being \$174,158.26.

WHITE-LACEY.

Jesse White, son of Mr. John White, who resides a few miles east of the city, and Miss Hattie Lacey, daughter of Mrs. C. F. Lacey, were married at the home of the bride's mother, on south Virginia street, Tuesday night. Rev. J. T. Hawkins officiated. Mr. and Mrs. White will reside with Mrs. Lacey in this city for the present.

Jackson-Stolz.

Mr. John N. Jackson, of Casky, and Miss Edith Stolz, of Henderson, were married Thursday morning at six o'clock at the Presbyterian parsonage in Henderson and took the Dixie Flyer through this city for Key West. After a wedding trip of two weeks they will be at home at Springfield. The groom is a son of Mr. C. Jackson and the bride is a daughter of Mr. J. R. Stolz who formerly lived at Casky. Mr. Jackson is ticket agent of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad at Springfield. At one time he was in the L. & N. office in this city.

Williams-Proctor.

Mr. Fortson Williams, formerly of Pembroke, and Miss Irene Proctor, of Memphis, were married in Memphis, Dec. 13th. They are expected at Pembroke to visit the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Williams. The groom is in business at Memphis.

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HUGH MARTIN MONDAY NIGHT

Famous Tenor Returns To Home of His Childhood Days.

FIRST APPEARANCE HERE

Knows The World Over as The Foremost American Musician.

Quite the most pretentious musical affair Hopkinsville has known will take place next Monday night at the Tabernacle. All Kentucky knows the tremendous success which its gifted son, Riccardo Martin (christened Hugh,) has gained in grand opera. Yet, next Monday night, he will face, for the first time in his career as a singer, his fellow townsmen. Incidentally, Martin will sing to Kentuckians living in more than one Kentucky city save that in which he was born.

Those who have known Hugh Martin personally are not surprised at the success he has won. Great vocal gifts were his and great musical talent, also. But it was due to the fibre of the man—his quick perception, his vigilance and his industry—that placed him alongside of the great Caruso and other illustrious tenors of his time. For in the Metropolitan Opera House, New York; in the great Covent Gardens in London, as well as in other foremost opera houses of the world, Riccardo Martin is recognized as one of the first half dozen living tenors, and a man who has won his position by right of music might.

Last year, and this year, too, Mr. Martin has shared with the great Zaratelli the first tenor roles in the Boston-National Grand Opera Company and it is only due to the fact of the holiday lay-off, which this distinguished organization is taking, that Martin, the tenor, is able to sing this concert engagement.

Those who know this young man's voice say that it has the clarion ring in the fortissima passages, or is as soft as velvet in quietest phrases possible for a human voice to sing. It is a voice described as absolutely equal from top to bottom, a voice of the pure tenor timbre, and pronounced by connoisseurs to be the most sympathetic and most vibrant of any American opera or concert stage has known. It is not in voice alone, however, that Martin is supreme. In technique, no less than in his finished interpretation of aria or song, Martin is the artist supreme.

On Monday night he will sing arias from operas in which he has appeared before the crowned heads of Europe and the most fastidious social dictators of New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago. He will also sing a group of English songs that carry an unquestioned heart appeal, and he will sing operatic duets with Miss Bianca Saroya, another gifted American, who is one of the first sopranos of the Boston-National Grand Opera Company, and declared by many experts to be one of the future great sopranos of the world.

There will be then a double interest in Monday's concert: First in Martin, the tenor, singing great music as an artist should, and second, in Martin, the Kentuckian, come home to sing for the first time to the people who called him "Hugh."

The programme in full is as follows:

- Songs
(a) Happy Song, Teresa Del Riego
(b) Songs My Mother Taught Me, Dvorak
(c) A Painted Butterfly, Joscelyn Noel
(d) April Rain, Huntington Woodman
Miss Saroya
- Aria
Flower Song from "Carmen", Bizet
Mr. Martin
- Aria

Dieu theure Halle ("Tannhaeuser")... Wagner
Miss Saroya

- Songs
(a) Before the Dawn, G. W. Chadwick
(b) The Year's at the Spring, H. H. A. Beach
(c) Mattinata, Leoncavallo
Mr. Martin
- Aria and Duet (Act I "La Boheme"), Puccini
Miss Saroya and Mr. Martin
- Songs
(a) Day is Gone, Margaret Lang
(b) In Laurel Time, Riccardo Martin
(c) Bonjour, Suzon, Riccardo Martin
Miss Saroya
- Arioso from "I Pagliacci", Leoncavallo
Mr. Martin
- Duet (Act I "Madame Butterfly"), Puccini
Miss Saroya and Mr. Martin
Accompanist

DEATH CLAIMS YOUNG MAN

Lawrence S. McKee, Book-Keeper For Ky. Public Service Co.

Lawrence S. McKee died suddenly at the home of his father-in-law, Geo. E. Randle, at 5:30 p. m. Thursday. About four months ago Mr. McKee underwent an operation for tonsillitis, his health having been impaired for some time previously. The operation did not bring the expected relief, but was followed by a period of protracted illness. Recently he seemed to be improving and was able to be up at times. Thursday he was sitting in his chair, after having eaten his dinner, when he was seized with an attack of heart failure and died two hours later, in spite of all that could be done.

Mr. McKee was 25 years of age and a son of Percy McKee, of Memphis. He had resided in this city for several years and when his health failed was book-keeper for the Kentucky Public Service Co. He enjoyed the confidence of his employers and the respect and regard of all who knew him and recognized in him a promising young business man.

He is survived by his devoted young wife, formerly Miss Vera Randle, to whom he was married a little more than a year ago. He was a member of the Christian church. Funeral services, in the absence of a pastor, will be held at the home of Mr. Randle, by Rev. Geo. C. Abbott, of the Episcopal church, at two o'clock p. m. today. The interment will be in Riverside Cemetery.

HEART DISEASE CAUSES DEATH.

Malinda Duke, of Ohio county, died at the Western State Hospital Wednesday night of organic heart disease. She was 56 years old and was received at the institution about twelve years ago. Interment in the hospital burying ground.

TURKEY POOL SOLD THIS WEEK

The Newstead turkey pool was sold this week to the Fox Brothers Co. at 21½ cents. There were 400 turkeys in the pool, which included the flocks of Mrs. Wallace Boyd, W. A. Glass, J. W. Riley, A. M. Henry and others. This price is slightly under the highest price paid in November, but the fowls have been growing and fattening for a month and brought more money. The amount paid for the pool was a little more than \$1300, or an average of \$3.25 per head.

The first basket ball games of the season were played at the Belmont Gym last night between different High School teams. There are several good teams.

Our Jewelry is different, compare it in quality. Note the prices. Handwick.

ST. LOUIS DOCTOR

Says Helen Cannell Threatened To Burn Her Soul Out of Her Body.

OPERATION LAST SPRING

Followed By Nervous Break down Caused Her to Quit Business in St. Louis.

The second examination of Frank Smith Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock brought out nothing new in the Helen Cannell case. Mr. Smith readily agreed to come up on the 3:30 train from Cerulean, when telephoned to, and in the presence of county and city officers, the girl's brother and representatives of the press, frankly and with apparent willingness and sincerity answered all questions propounded to him. He reiterated his former story and answered some additional questions suggested by later developments. He said Miss Cannell came to Cerulean unannounced and as she had asked him to lend her \$100 in a letter two months ago, which he did not answer, he supposed she came on that business and before she said anything about it he told her the reason he did not send the money, was because he did not have it and that he was still unable to let her have it. She said that was all right and smiled quietly. He invited her to go to the hotel for breakfast, but she declined and asked to be allowed to come to Hopkinsville with him in his buggy. On the way she was reserved and talked but little and then about common place things. He said once on the way they drove off the main road a little way looking for a persimmon tree but did not see any. She appeared entirely rational and did not tell him of any troubles she had been in nor give any information about her purposes and plans. He could give no theory as to what caused her to go to the schoolhouse. When he met her the same afternoon it was about 3:30 and she was more than five miles from town. He was greatly surprised and asked her what she was out there for and she said she was taking a walk. He told her she would miss her train at 7:05, and she said she would make it all right. When he left her at the Hill House in the morning he gave her \$4 to help pay her way home, as she said that would be all she needed. He did this as an act of kindness to a woman who had bought tobacco from him and they were friends in a business way. No other relation than casual friendship existed between them and he knew nothing against her character in any way. He failed to give information at first because he had promised her not to tell who she was. He said she could have reached town by night at the rate she was walking at 3:30, and why she stopped at the schoolhouse, near where he met her, was a mystery that he wished he could help solve. Mr. Smith gave his testimony under oath and his apparent candor impressed all of his hearers. The brother listened attentively but made no comments during the entire hearing, that lasted an hour. Mr. Smith closed with a strong expression of his belief in Miss Cannell's good character.

SUICIDE THEORY.

The following story from St. Louis appeared in the Republic of Friday: "I will burn my soul out of this body of mine; that is the way I want to die."

"So spoke Helen M. Cannell, now dead from burns received in a mysterious schoolhouse fire at Hopkinsville, Ky., to Dr. Herman W. Faber, 2133 South Jefferson avenue, this city, two months ago while taking treatment from him.

"This material fact The Republic learned last night while police at Hopkinsville and members of the Cannell family were trying to solve the mystery of her death.

ery store 2723 Lafayette avenue, the governor of Kentucky had offered a reward of \$250 and the county judge a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of her slayer.

"Dr. Faber told a most interesting story to a reporter for The Republic last night. Until two months ago he had treated her for a nervous breakdown.

"One day she came to me," Dr. Faber said, "and told me she wanted to die. She asked me for some poison that would be successful. I refused. Then she wanted me tell her of one. That, too, I refused.

"Then she turned to me," Faber continued, and said: "Then I will burn my soul out of this body of mine; that is the way I want to die."

"But paralleling in strangeness and more suggestive of the murder theory were other developments unearthed by The Republic yesterday.

"Dr. L. M. Ottoff, with offices in the Grand Central Theatre building, had treated Helen Cannell for some time prior to her disappearance, November 26.

"Since the identification of the woman at Hopkinsville as Helen Cannell he yesterday gave information to the police which he had up to that time considered of a confidential professional nature.

"Briefly this information was to the effect that Miss Cannell had informed him of an attack upon her in her confectionery store last winter. As a result of this an illegal operation, she declared, had been performed. Much of her nervousness, he considered was due to this operation.

"But whether Miss Cannell went to her death murdered, or as a suicide, the mystery remains most baffling.

"If it was suicide the unfortunate young woman apparently faced death on a funeral pyre of her own choosing, but changed her mind and tore off her burning clothes."

The suicide theory has all along had its advocates. They have argued that no sane woman would try to spend the night in such a deserted house, with many people living close by. The wild walk itself, six miles into the country, was almost an insane act. Leaving her money at the hotel showed premeditation. Her failure to interest Smith in her affairs, may have made her more desperate. In the course of travel she must have reached the schoolhouse a few minutes after waving a pleasant goodbye to Smith and the little Ricketts girl in the road at 3:30. Did she go to the schoolhouse and brood over her troubles for ten hours? The fire was at 3:30 next morning. Did she a timid, nervous woman, spend the winter night in such a place and set fire to her clothing the next morning? If it was suicide, why did she wait all night, and if her nerve failed when the fire burned, why did she not end her terrible suffering by jumping into the creek she crossed near by on her naked flight toward town for three long miles? Why did she go ngly to the hospital and promise to reimburse those who helped her when she got well, saying she expected to recover? If she wanted to die, why did she not refuse assistance? And above all, who visited the schoolhouse during the night in a rubber tired buggy and hitched a horse behind the house? This fact proven by five witnesses has not been explained.

A. H. Cannell returned to Alton, Ill., Wednesday night with his sister's body. Before leaving he was profuse in his thanks to the officers and others who befriended his unfortunate sister during her last hours and who cared for her in death.

Interest now centers in the efforts at St. Louis to locate the "traveling man" whose treatment of Miss Cannell caused her nervous collapse.

JUDGE BUSH AT HOME

Judge C. H. Bush has come home from Eddyville, having completed his regular terms until Jan. 22 at Cadiz. Next week he will have a special term here for trying a number of equity cases in which orders were made last month. He has also called a special term at Murray Jan. 8 to take up the cases of Lube Martin and three other negroes charged with the killing of ex-Marshall Duquid. Martin is in jail here.

MAKING UP HIS MIND

President Has Not Decided on What Action, If Any, Will Accompany Transmission.

AUSTRO-GERMAN NOTE

May Be Forwarded Today—Official Text Identical With Newspaper Reports.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Arrival of both the German and Austrian peace notes and broad intimations at the entente ally embassies that the proposals of the central powers would not be flatly rejected without examination, were the outstanding developments here in the peace move.

It was stated officially that neither Germany's nor Austria's note would be forwarded before today and there was no outward indication that the president had made up his mind what action, if any, he would take in transmitting the central power proposals to the entente belligerents.

The change in the attitude of the entente embassies, however, was regarded as the most interesting development pointing to the probable proposition of the allies. It was indicated that to avoid being placed in the position of flatly rejecting peace overtures without knowing what is proposed, it was not improbable that after mature deliberation among themselves, the allies would make reply, inquiring upon the basis a discussion was suggested. Such an action by the allies, it was pointed out, would not by any means bind them to a conference.

The German view of the next probable step is that a meeting of representatives of all the belligerents should be proposed for a general discussion of the approach to a basis for peace. German officials here repeatedly have expressed their conviction that once having gone that far, the movement would result in an actual peace conference.

FEVERISH HASTE

Shown By the Farmers to Cash In the Weed.

The first two weeks of the loose floor sales show the tobacco market gaining strength with receipts very light. The weed is too dry to handle and there seems to be a feverish haste to sell to the factories, draw money and deliver at leisure. The loose floors are hard hit by this unexpected movement. Well informed buyers say 65 per cent of the crop has been sold in Christian, 90 in Montgomery, 80 in Robertson, 80 in Logan, 75 in Todd and 25 in Trigg county. The crop is rapidly getting out of the hands of the farmers all over the Hopkinsville district.

LOOSE FLOORS.

Week Ending, Dec. 14, 1916.
Sales for week.....144,256 lbs.
Sales for season.....300,935 lbs.
Sales for same date
Average for this week.....\$9.61
Average for this season.....\$9.47

Quotations are as follows:
Trash \$7.50 to \$8.50.
Com Lugs \$8.50 to \$9.00
Med Lugs \$9.00 to \$9.50
Good Lugs \$9.50 to \$10.00
Fine Lugs \$10.00 to \$11.50
Low Leaf \$9.00 to \$9.50
Com Leaf \$9.50 to \$10.00
Medium Leaf \$10.00 to \$10.50
Good Leaf \$10.50 to \$12.00
Fine Leaf \$12.00 to \$14.50

H. H. ABERNATHY,
Secretary.

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Gracey Revival.

Gracey paid Rev. Bascom Waters \$220 for the revival lasting two weeks of which his director of music \$50. There were 6 additions to the Methodist church.